

***State of Washington  
Department of Transportation  
Notice to Consultants  
Statewide On-Call Bridge Load Rating Services***

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) solicits interest from consultants who wish to be evaluated and considered to provide On-Call Bridge Loading Rating services for WSDOT. The approximate dollar value of the consultant contracts will be \$200,000. WSDOT may award three (3) or more agreements. The agreements will be for approximately two (2) years in duration.

**Project Description**

The selected consultants will perform Load Ratings on State owned bridges per Chapter 13 of the 2005 WSDOT Bridge Design Manual. The consultant(s) must have experience using WSDOT's BRIDG software as well as other finite element analysis software such as GT-Strudl. Typical structures to be load rated are reinforced, prestressed and posttensioned concrete structures, as well as structural steel bridges which include curved girders.

**Evaluation Criteria**

Pursuant to state and federal regulations, a qualifications-based selection process will be used to select a consultant for each of these projects. The following information and criteria will be used to evaluate and rank responses:

1. Qualifications/Expertise of Firms on Team;
2. Qualifications of Proposed Project Manager(s);
3. Key Team Members Qualifications (Prime Consultant and Sub-Consultants);
4. Firm's Project Management System (Prime Consultant Only); and
5. References/past performances (Prime Consultant Only.)

The link to the definitions and point value for each of the proposed criteria may be found on the first page of this advertisement web site.

NOTE: It is imperative that the consultant reviews the definitions of the scoring criteria. We have included requirements and/or limitations for the information that is being requested. All scoring criteria will be rated on a scale of 0 (Low) to 20 (High.)

**Submittals**

Consultants are invited to submit their Statement of Qualifications at their own cost. WSDOT assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by any respondent to this solicitation. The submittal is limited to a total maximum number of twenty-five (25) sheets submitted only on single sided (single sided meaning one side only of a single sheet of paper) typed 8.5" x 11" paper (if charts and/or graphs are utilized text must be a readable size font), and with type size no smaller than 12 point.

Your Statement of Qualifications must be broken into two (2) separate packets. Your Statement of Qualifications "Packet A" must consist of:

- Your responses to scoring Criteria 1 through 4.

Your Statement of Qualifications "Packet B" must consist of:

- Your letter of transmittal;
- Your response to scoring criteria 5; and
- Your Submittal Information Packet forms for both the prime and all proposed sub-consultants.

The page limitation does not apply to the front and back covers of "Packet A" and all of "Packet B."

The Statement of Qualifications shall meet the following requirements or will be deemed non-responsive and will not be eligible for consideration of this work:

- Title of the Request for Qualifications, and your firm clearly identified on the cover of the submittal Packets "A" and "B", and the letter of transmittal;
- Statement of Qualifications broken into "Packet A" and "Packet B" as indicated above;
- Responsive to all evaluation criteria;
- Meeting page limitations and font size requirements; and
- Meeting submittal deadline submission date.

Materials submitted in response to this competitive procurement shall become the property of WSDOT and will not be returned. All submittals received will remain confidential until WSDOT and the successful Consultants sign the agreements resulting from this advertisement. All submittals are deemed public records as defined in the RCW 42.17.250 to 42.250.340.

Faxed or e-mailed submittals will not be accepted. Four (4) copies of your "Packet A" and one (1) copy of "Packet B", for each category of work in which your firm would like consideration, whether mailed or hand-delivered, must arrive at the following address no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday, March 29, 2006:

Director, Consultant Services  
Washington State Department of Transportation  
7345 Linderson Way SW  
Tumwater, WA 98501-6504

Any questions regarding the submittal process should be directed to the Consultant Services Office, at 360-705-7106. Any questions regarding technical aspects should be directed to Mr. Finn Posner, 360-705-7205.

The department has an overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal. The DBE goal for participation will be obtained through a combination race-neutral/race-conscience means

as outlined in WSDOT's "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Plan." The department encourages disadvantaged, minority, and women-owned consultant firms to respond.

Persons with disabilities may request this information be prepared and supplied in alternate formats by calling collect 206-389-2839. Persons with hearing impairments may call 1-800-833-6388 (Washington State Telecommunications Relay Service) and ask for 206-515-3683.

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Submittal Due Date: Wednesday, March 29, 2006.